

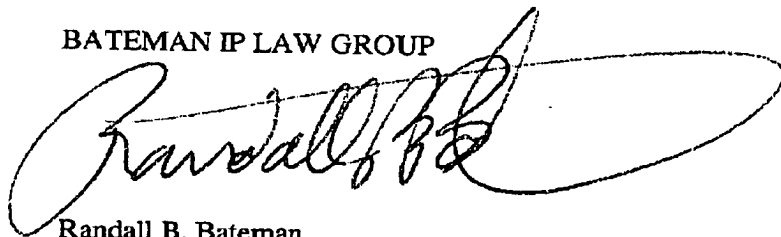
REMARKS

In the Office Action dated June 3, 2004, the Examiner rejected claims 8, 9, 26 and 31 as being anticipated by the prior art. Applicant respectfully objects the attempt to view retractable as being synonymous with being able to be withdrawn. However, to expedite issuance of the application, Applicant has amended claim 8 to further define retractable. Claim 26 has been withdrawn. Claim 31 has been amended to define the annular groove as being recessed. While the prior art does not show an annular groove, it clearly lacks a recessed annular groove. Therefore claims 1-11, 16-18, 20, 21, 23-25 and 27-31 should be allowed.

Should the Examiner determine that additional adverse action is necessary, it is requested that the Examiner contact Applicant's attorney at (801) 533-0320 so that such matters may be resolved as expeditiously as possible. Applicant has included a credit card authorization to cover the additional independent claim charges. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any amount owing for this case or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-2720.

Dated this 21st day of June, 2004.

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